

As of July 8, 2019

Invitation to BPW International East Asia Sub-Regional Conference 2019

30 November - 2 December 2019 Tokyo, Japan

Overview

Conference Theme:

SDGs Goal 5 is the Essence to Gender Equality

BPW's mission is to empower women, and the realization of SDGs is our current objectives. During the Regional Conference in Bangkok 2018, the participants from BPW East Asia have agreed that within the 17 Goals of SDGs, the main targets in our sub-region are Goal 4, 5 and 17.

For this reason, the upcoming Sub-Regional Conference will focus on the following:

- Opening speech will focus on the theme of "How to Practise SDGs in Economy" by the specialist on the topic.
- 2) Sessions will be focused on discussions on what we can do for the Goals 4,5 and 17 especially.

★Please also note that The 2nd Asia-Pacific Young BPW Symposium is scheduled

to take place simultaneously.

See the details \rightarrow <u>https://bpwjapan.jp/youngsymposium2019</u>

Program

(Day1) Saturday 30 November 2019

15:00 Meet at the Reception at Lobby @ Keio Plaza Hotel for Presidents (invitation only)

*Take a walk from Keio Plaza Hotel Tokyo to Fusen Kaikan (BPW Japan Federation Office) with BPW Japan staff.

15:30 – 16:30

Presidents' Meeting @ Fusen Kaikan (BPW Japan Federation Office)

17:30 Registration @ Keio Plaza Hotel

★Keio Plaza Hotel Tokyo: Access & Transportation → https://www.keioplaza.com/map/index.html

- 18:30 Opening Ceremony @ Keio Plaza Hotel
- 18:45 Dinner
- 19:40 Young Speech Contest
- 20:00 Keynote Speech by Mr. Kazuo Tase (CEO SDG Partners Inc.)
- 21:30 Closing

(Day2) Sunday 1 December 2019

- 09:00 Departure from Keio Plaza Hotel by bus * Please get on the bus in front of the front gate of the hotel by 8:50.
- 11:30 Arrival to NWEC
- 11:45 Welcome Greeting by President of NWEC
- 12:00 Lunch
- 13:30 Welcome Remarks
 - BPW Japan President
 - East-Asia Sub-Regional Coordinator
 - Asia-Pacific Regional Coordinator
 - International President
- 14:00 Country Reports (Hong Kong, Japan, Mongol, South Korea, Taiwan)
- 15:00 Workshop I SDGs Goal 5 Group Discussion

Guest Speaker: Dr. Masako Kamiya (Prof. of Gakusyuin Univ. & Convener/CEO of the International Women's Year Liaison Group in Japan)

"Gender Neutrality" (*tentative)

Speakers from each country & Discussion

- 17:00 Check-in
- 18:00 Dinner Party
- 20:00 Lounge Talk with drinks and snacks

(Day3) Monday 2 December 2019

08:00 Breakfast

09:00 Workshop II- SDGs Goal 4: Current Situation in East Asia *How to overcome Unconscious Biases through Education?

(*tentative)

*Partnership & Future of Asia-Pacific BPW Panel Discussion

- 12:30 Closing Lunch with Twinning Ceremony
- 14:00 Cultural Experiences

(fees included in registration / optional participation) Traditional Tea Ceremony, Ikebana Flower Arrangement, Kimono dress-ups Note: all experiences will be available within NWEC premises

, 18:00 "Joyful" Dinner Party

(Day4) Tuesday 3 December 2019

Optional Tour Plan - Cultural Study Tour

This is small tour on the way from NWEC to back to Shinjuku (the start point of this program). Tour includes a visit to an old town of Kawagoe, where you will see the traditional streets from Edo Period (1603-1868) still buzzing, and visit the traditional *washi* paper factory.

*Subject to number of interest

Registration

| Early Bird Registration Fee | (until Aug 31) | 480 | USD |
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| Regular Registration Fee | (1 Sep - 31 Oct) | 550 | USD |
| Last-minute Registration Fee (1-29 Nov) | | 600 | USD |
| Just-in-time Registration Fee (30 Nov – 2 Dec) | | 600 | USD (Cash on 12/3 only) |
| Registration Fee for Guest | | 480 | USD |
| Optional Tour (3 Dec) *subject to number of interest (Visit Kawagoe & traditional <i>washi</i> paper crafting) | | 70 | USD (Additional) |

★Please note that Cancellation policy: No refunds, Only Exchange.

Registration Fees include sessions, meals, transportation & accommodation:

- All sessions
- Day 1:(30 Nov.) Welcome Party with meal
- Day 2:(1 Dec.) Coach bus from Keio Plaza Hotel Tokyo to NWEC
- Day 2:(1 Dec.) Lunch and Dinner Party at NWEC
- Day 3:(2 Dec.) Various Cultural Experiences in afternoon
- Accommodation x 2 nights (Day 2 + Day 3) at NWEC
- Drinks & Snacks (2 x Coffee Break + 1 x Lounge Talk)

Registration fees excludes: 1 night stay at Keio Plaza Hotel on 30 Nov 2019 *The hotel on the first night must be reserved individually. Not included in registration fee.



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Why NWEC? Access& Transportation https://www.nwec.jp/en/access/index.html

NWEC (National Women's Education Center) is the leading educational facility for the promotion of women in Japan. Established in 1977 as the only national center to promote gender equal society through education, research and data-reservation. NWEC has also been a leading model in other Asian countries for the progress of

women's status within society, as well as the hub for gender studies. There are also many cultural activities, traditional Japanese-style rooms in a cozy building with many meeting rooms available. This is the reason why, as BPW Japan, we believe that NWEC is the place for our Sub-Regional Meeting.



Day 1. Keynote Speaker



Kazuo Tase

President and CEO, SDG Partners, Inc. Co-Founder, Kokuren Forum

Born in 1967 in Fukuoka, Japan. Learned nuclear engineering and macro-economics at Tokyo University before joining the Japanese Foreign Service in 1992. Worked on global issues including UN peacekeeping, human rights and humanitarian frameworks. African development, Japan's financial contributions to international organizations. As First Secretary at the Permanent Mission of Japan to the UN (New York), served as personal assistant for Mdm. Sadako Ogata when she led the Commission on Human Security as one of the two co-chairs with Professor Amartya Sen. Resigned from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 2005 and became Chief, Human Security Unit, OCHA, the United Nations, to lead mainstreaming the concept of human security in the UN system and more broadly. The first Secretary-General's Report on human security in 2010 was issued under his

leadership. Between 2010 and 2013, served as Acting Director, UN Information Center in Pakistan, to support flood- and conflict-affected populations. Engaged also in the major media strategy to eradicate Polio in the war-affected regions in the country. Moved on to the private sector in June 2014, assuming the office of Director, Global Management Institute, Deloitte Tohmatsu Consulting (DTC), Japan, to support Japanese corporations to advance into emerging markets. In May 2016, became the first Director for CSR and SDGs Initiatives of DTC, to support corporations to embed SDGs and other global goals, targets and principles in their core business operations. In September 2017, left Deloitte to establish SDG Partners Inc., to further pursue sustainability in the Japanese Business.

■Day4 (3 Dec.) Optional Tour : About Kawagoe City

Kawagoe served its political and military importance during the Edo Period (1603-1868) as it offered northern protection for Edo Castle. Today, people can enjoy the vestiges of this era still visible on Kawagoe's elegant streets, old-time sweets shops and the town bell that sounds at the hour. Stroll the streets of *Koedo* (Little Edo) and enjoy a time slip back to the Edo Period. Japanese traditional paper craft, *washi*-making experience is also available. Estimated time to return to Keio Plaza Hotel (Shinjuku) at 16:00.



Tokyo Tour Guide:

Available in Simplified/Traditional Chinese, Korean, Thai and English

<u>Visit Tokyo | The Official Tokyo Travel Guide, GO</u> TOKYO https://www.gotokyo.org/en/index.html

Transportation

Regarding Access from NWEC to Central Tokyo:

Those who wish to travel back by themselves; you can take a taxi to bus terminal at Shinrinkoen to Haneda/Narita Airports, or alternatively take a taxi and train to the airports. Taxi fare from NWEC to Shinrinkoen bus terminal is around 1720JPY (20USD). See below URL for further details:

https://www.nwec.jp/en/access/index.html